

An Garda Síochána South Eastern Region Policing Plan 2011

'Working with our Communities'

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Foreword

I am pleased to present the 2011 Annual Policing Plan for the South Eastern Region of An Garda Síochána. The Region comprises of the four Divisions of Kilkenny/Carlow, Waterford, Tipperary and Wexford, which are aligned with the Local Authorities county boundaries which further facilitates and enhances active collaboration with other public agencies and authorities. The Regional Headquarters is located in Kilkenny City.

The Regional plan reflects the actions required to achieve the expected outcomes of the six strategic objectives for the second year of An Garda Síochána's Strategy Statement 2010 – 2012. It also includes the priorities determined for An Garda Síochána by the Minister for Justice and Law Reform under Section 20 of the Garda Síochána Act, 2005. The delivery of the Garda Service in the South Eastern Region will be guided by the key imperatives of public safety, public confidence and transparent public accountability. The plan builds on our success and learning in 2010 and sets out specific actions and performance measures to be achieved in a manner which reflects the human rights principles of legality, necessity, proportionality, non-discrimination and accountability. This approach will be guided by our four core values of Honesty, Accountability, Respect and Professionalism.

The priorities and concerns of our communities are at the core of the plan, which gives practical effect to our Mission Statement –

'Working with Communities to Protect and Serve'.

Our key focus is to improve the quality of life of our communities through working collaboratively with, supporting and strengthening the partnerships and networks already forged including engaging fully with the Joint Policing Committees.

We will proactively target and provide an effective response to the challenges of crime, anti-social behaviour and road safety. We will continue our strategy to deliver on work largely unseen by the community which tackles, disrupts and prosecutes those involved in serious organised crime including drugs and terrorism.

These approaches and strategies will be informed by a focus on intelligence led operations, high visibility patrolling and a commitment to utilise resources to deliver the best possible outcomes.

I witness on a daily basis the commitment and dedication of the staff of An Garda Síochána in the South Eastern Region in delivering a quality policing service in a diverse and demanding environment. As we implement this plan, our staff remain committed to working wholeheartedly with you for the overall benefit of the community.

We thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation which is vital to delivery of a policing service. We welcome your feedback and constructive suggestions. These will further enhance our capability to provide a continuously improving policing service that is aligned to community needs and expectations.

K.G. LUDLOW

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

January 2011



`Daoine Sármhaith ag cur Póiliniú Faoi Leith ar Fáil`

RÁITEAS MISIN

Ag obair le Pobail Chun iad a Chosain agus chun freastal orthu

ÁR LUACHANNA

Macántacht

 A bheith macánta, cothrom, ceart agus cóir

Freagracht

 Ag glacadh le freagracht pearsanta agus ag cinntiú go mbíonn an pobail freagrach

Meas

 Go raibh meas ar dhaoine agus a riachtanaisí agus ar a gCearta Daonna

Proifisiúntacht

 Ag cur seirbhís proifisúnta ar fail don pobail uilig

VISION

`Excellent people delivering policing excellence`

MISSION

Working with Communities to Protect and Serve

VALUES

Honesty

 Being honest and ethical and adhering to the principles of fairness and justice

Accountability

Accepting individual
responsibility and ensuring public
 accountability

Respect

 Having respect for people, their Human Rights and their needs

Professionalism

 Providing a professional policing service to all communities

Policing Priorities for An Garda Síochána for 2011 Determined by the Minister for Justice and Law Reform

Background

The function of the Garda Síochána under section 7 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005 is to provide policing and security for the State with the objective of:

- (a) preserving the peace and public order,
- (b) protecting life and property
- (c) vindicating the human rights of each individual
- (d) protecting the security of the State,
- (e) preventing crime
- (f) bringing criminals to justice, including by detecting and investigating crime,
- (g) regulating and controlling road traffic and improving road safety; and carrying out such other functions conferred by law, including those relating to immigration.

In producing this policing plan we are required to have regard to the priorities of the Minister for Justice and Law Reform and to the Garda Strategy Statement. We are also required to have regard to relevant Government policy. This includes the provisions of the Programme for Government and the specific Government strategies in relation to drugs, human trafficking, youth justice, victims of crime, road safety, and on domestic and sexual violence.

Priorities for 2011

The Minister has determined the following matters as priorities for the Garda Síochána for 2011, in accordance with Section 20 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005.

Security

To protect the State and the people against terrorism in all its forms.

<u>Crime</u>

To combat serious crime, in particular organised crime.

Policing Communities

To achieve the maximum levels of safety for local communities and to provide a community policing service which meets the demands of the public.

Roads Policing

To police the roads, in particular to reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries arising from collisions.

Efficient use of Resources

To promote efficiencies in resource allocation and deployment so as to enhance the policing service to the public.

Victims of Crime

To support and protect all victims of crime and treat them with dignity. To keep all victims of crime informed about the progress of their cases and bring offenders to justice promptly.

Human Trafficking

To prevent and detect human trafficking.

We a	re fully committed to maintain	an active role in strengthening in ing a secure nation for all our co	mmunities	-
Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Identify and analyse the threats to the State emanating from terrorist and extremist groups and take appropriate action	Utilising our analysis and intelligence gathering capability to identify any threats to national and international security Prioritising the deployment of resources in support of security operations	 No terrorist attacks occurring within the Region Monthly Regional Conferences held Number of intelligence led operations targeted at groups and individuals involved in subversive and terrorist activity Number of dissident Republican / Subversive and extremist Islamic groups profiled 	Each Chief Superintendent	A safe and secure Region
Continue to develop the crisis incident management capability in relation to tiger kidnappings, hostage negotiation and barricade incidents Identify and disrupt the connection between subversive, terrorist and organised crime gangs	 Selecting, Training and Deploying a Regional Support Unit (RSU) Further enhance Regional capability in relation to tiger kidnappings, hostage negotiation and barricade incidents Utilising all available legislation to target groups and individuals involved in subversive, terrorist and serious criminal activity 	 RSU selected, trained and deployed Number of Regional Support Unit (RSU) call outs to crisis incidents Number of designated trained personnel Number of intelligence led operations targeted at connections between subversive, terrorist and organised crime gangs Number of subversive, terrorist and organised crime gangs targeted 	& Regional Detective Superintendent	An active role in enhancing national and international security

Ensuring our Nation's Socurity

Consolidate developments emerging from the 'Framework for Major Emergency Management in Ireland'	Participating in Major Emergency Management exercises with other agencies Conducting critical infrastructure audits	 Number of Major Emergency Management exercises conducted Number of Critical Infrastructure Audits conducted 	Each Chief Superintendent	A safe and secure Region
	Continuing interaction between An Garda Síochána and State and Private Agencies to develop Major Emergency Management capabilities in the South Eastern Garda Region	 Number of risk assessments conducted for Divisional Major Emergency plans Participation in Interagency Major Emergency Management Conferences 	& Regional Detective Superintendent	An active role in enhancing national and international security

8 8 1	arda Síochána will continue to	nting Crime confront crime in all its forms. Ou eel safe in their homes and in the		g crime and the
Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
 Tackle organised crime by: Identifying, profiling and targeting organised crime gangs Identifying and targeting assets which are the proceeds of crime Targeting drug trafficking and low level street dealing Identifying and targeting human trafficking networks 	 Developing our intelligence gathering capability to tackle organised crime gangs Intelligence led operations against groups and individuals Full utilisation of the Garda Síochána Analysis Service to identify emerging trends, crime hotspots and enabling the effective, and focused, deployment of resources Joint operations in partnership with Customs and Revenue Officials and other relevant agencies Developing and implementing targeted operations aimed at street level drug dealing A proactive approach to targeting of 'Grow Houses' Working with Crime & Security Branch and National Support Services as well as international law enforcement agencies to identify and target human trafficking networks Utilising organised crime legislation to target and prosecute 	 Number of investigation files in relation to organised criminal activity (Criminal Justice (Amendment) Act 2009) forwarded to Director of Public Prosecutions Number of Intelligence reports relating to organised crime Number of focused intelligence led operations against organised crime networks Number of Organised Crime Gangs identified profiled and targeted Number of detections for sale / supply and personal use of illegal drugs Intelligence led operations against groups and individuals involved in the operation of 'Grow Houses' Number of Cleanstreet' Operations conducted Number of Human Trafficking investigations conducted 	Each Chief Superintendent	Reduced crime and the fear of crime

 Target crimes against the person and high volume property crime, including: Crimes involving prohibited weapons Domestic violence incidents Crimes of a sexual nature 	 Holding monthly Regional Crime Management Meetings Liaison with other agencies in respect of incidents of Drug Trafficking and Asset Identification The effective use of intelligence- led briefings Increased crime prevention and reduction activities Active engagement with the community to deal with the threat posed by crime Working in partnership with relevant stakeholders and providing investigative support where appropriate 	 Number of Regional Crime Management meetings held Crimes against the person reduced in line with Strategy Statement commitments Detections for crimes against the person increased in line with Strategy Statement commitments Property crime reduced in line with Strategy Statement commitments Detections for property related crime increased in line with Strategy Statement commitments 	Each Chief Superintendent & Regional Detective Superintendent	Reduced crime and the fear of crime
Support and protect child victims	• Interagency cooperation with the H.S.E. in relation to the investigation of crimes against children	 Number of 'HSE Notification Actions' in relation to crimes against children Quarterly review/evaluation of sexual 		
Enhance organisational capability in managing the risks associated with sex offenders	• Ongoing consultation with key stakeholders, and relevant agencies, to enhance the services provided to the victims of domestic violence and sexual crimes	crimes conducted in accordance with Garda policy		

• Ensuring the provisions of the Sex Offenders Act 2001 are implemented	• All persons subject to the provisions of the Sexual Offenders Act 2001 risk assessed	Each Chief Superintendent	
• Fully implementing Garda Policy on the Investigation of Sexual Crimes		& Regional Detective Superintendent	Reduced crime and the fear of crime

Effective Roads Policing

An Garda Síochána is committed to making our roads safer and improving the behaviour of all road users. We are dedicated to achieving a reduction in the incidence of fatal and serious collisions on our roads during the lifetime of our Strategy Statement. We will develop and implement initiatives which denv the use of our roads for criminal activity.

Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Intelligence led enforcement of Road Traffic and Road Transport Legislation	 Continuing to deliver high visibility enforcement by targeting dangerous road user behaviour through: Utilisation of available information to identify priority times and locations for enforcement Full utilisation of detection equipment and enabling technology Multi-unit, multi-agency checkpoints to improve cooperation and coordination between units and other agencies 	 Deaths and serious injuries reduced Targets appropriate to An Garda Síochána, as set out in The Road Safety Strategy 2007-2012 achieved in the following areas: Increased compliance with speed limits Increased compliance with drink driving legislation Increased seatbelt wearing 	Each Chief Superintendent &	Safer roads and improved road user behaviour leading to a
	Enhanced capability in the detection of drug driving Continue to educate young drivers in relation to road safety and include traffic awareness on all Schools Programmes Each Divisional Officer to devise a Casualty Reduction Strategy with the overall objective of reducing fatal and serious injury collisions	 80% of speed enforcement carried out in speed enforcement zones using speed detection vehicles Field Impairment Testing delivered to all operational members Number of Road Safety Awareness Programmes held and the number of attendees 	Regional Traffic Superintendent	reduction in deaths and serious injuries

Increase roads policing capability in An Garda Síochána to deny the use of our roads for criminal activity	Setting specific targets for MAT and speed checkpoints Proactively target modified vehicles by way of overt and covert operations in conjunction with Divisional Traffic Corps Units to ensure compliance with road traffic legislation and driver permit requirements Denying the use of our roads for criminal activity by: Intelligence led roads policing operations based on local intelligence Increasing levels and quality of intelligence Increasing levels and quality of intelligence The provision of appropriate resources and training to ensure effective roads policing The continued development of ANPR The development of a Criminal Interdiction Programme for An Garda Síochána	 Casualty Reduction Strategy implemented in all Divisions Number of detections for Drink/Drugs Driving, speeding, non wearing of seat belts, mobile phone use while driving Number of checkpoints and operations conducted including Interagency, MATS, PSV, HGV/Truck and Bus per quarter Number of Road Transport offences detected Number of targeted operations to enforce compliance Number of targeted High Visibility Strategy of Crime Checkpoints aimed at detecting travelling criminals completed and implemented Number of criminal intelligence reports submitted by Traffic 	Each Chief Superintendent & Regional Traffic Superintendent	Safer roads and improved road user behaviour leading to a reduction in deaths and serious injuries
	The development of a Criminal Interdiction Programme for An Garda Síochána	Number of criminal intelligence reports submitted by Traffic Corps personnel		

Ensuring a Peaceful Community

An Garda Siochána recognises the need to engage directly with communities to understand and respond to their concerns and to ensure a peaceful and safe environment for everyone. Working with our communities will enhance public confidence in our service by improving feelings of safety in the community.

Key actions:	This will be achieved by:	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Minimise the impact of public disorder, assaults and criminal damage	 Through proactive analysis identify public order hotspots and deploy appropriate resources to identified areas in respect of alcohol and drug related anti-social behaviour and youth crime Providing a coordinated approach to incidents of public disorder and Anti-Social Behaviour Reducing the fear in communities caused by the incidents of antisocial behaviour by the continued use of behaviour warnings, good behaviour contracts, court orders and targeted operations Enhancing community safety through targeted high visibility patrols Full utilisation of all available legislation particularly in relation to underage drinking Conducting test purchase operations to identify outlets selling and supplying alcohol to underage persons Inspecting licensed premises Continuing to liaise with the licensed trade and those involved in the management of the night time economy to reduce incidents of public disorder and anti-social behaviour 	 Public disorder reduced in line with Strategy Statement commitments Assaults reduced Criminal damage reduced Youth crime case management system introduced in all Divisions Number of Behaviour Warnings, Good Behaviour Contracts, Anti-Social Behavioural Orders and Exclusion Orders issued. Number of test purchase operations Number of inspections of licensed premises Number of meetings held with night time economy stakeholders Number of prosecutions of licenced premises 	Each Chief Superintendent	Safer and more peaceful local communities

We will deliver a service Key actions:	This will be achieved by:		Process Owner	Outcome
Work with and support all sections of our community	Ensuring that Community policing is embedded in all Communities Evaluating Community Alert and Neighbourhood Watch Strategies	 Commitment to Garda Síochána National Model of Community Policing accomplished Garda Diversity Strategy implemented Strategy for Older People implemented The Garda Youth and Children Strategy implemented Evaluation of Community Alert and Neighbourhood Watch Strategies completed 	Each Chief Superintendent	Trust and confidence in the Garda service
Ensure the protection of vulnerable persons and groups including Children, Older People and Diverse Communities	Supporting the work of the National Children Services Implementation Group(NCSIG) and Children's Services Committee (CSC) Initiative	• Support of and participation in Phase III of CSCs Initiative in the Region		
	The development of an implementation plan for Older People Strategy	• Full implementation of Older People Strategy		
	Implementation of the Garda Diversity Strategy 2009-2012	Garda Diversity Strategy supported		

A partnership approach to solving community problems	Playing an active role in the operation of Joint Policing Committees (JPCs) and working in partnership with community groups	• Active participation in all established JPCs and Local Policing Fora		
	Implementing the recommendations the of JPC Survey 2009	• Number of the recommendations of JPC Survey implemented	Each Chief	Trust and confidence in the Garda service
Recognising and responding to the needs of victims of crime	Implementing An Garda Síochána Victims Charter	• An Garda Síochána Victims Charter implemented	Superintendent	
	Developing the range of services of Family Liaison Officers in all Divisions	• Number of Family Liaison Officers trained		
	Deployment of Family Liaison Officers in appropriate cases including fatal road traffic collisions	Number of incidents where Family Liaison Officers are deployed		

An Excellent Organisation

An Garda Siochána, in implementing this goal, will maintain our focus on the development of a highly professional organisation which acknowledges the contribution of its people at all levels. We will use the resources available to us in effective and innovative ways. In developing our people to be highly motivated, we will ensure improved service to all members of the community, which will assist in achieving the policing and community centred objectives of An Garda Siochána

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Key actions:	This will be achieved by:	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome		
The continued development of an excellent organisation	Implementation of the Lessons Learned Framework	• The number of submissions to the Lessons Learned Framework		Highly motivated		
	Introducing targeted training initiatives to improve organisational competence Implementing Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Programmes	 The number of submissions to the Lessons Learned Framework being processed or approved for adoption Number of members trained in crime management and investigation Number of members who underwent Competency Based Driving Training, CBD1, CBD2, etc. Number of members attending CPD 	Each Chief Superintendent	people		
	Enhancing the Regional serious and organised crime investigation capability	 Establish dedicated support for serious and organised crime investigations 	&	Better service to citizens		
Ensure value for money in the management of resources	Recognising excellent police workAlignment of the 2011 Regional budget with service delivery.Completing the development of a South Eastern Region Operational Financial Management Framework	 Number of Excellent Police Work Commendations (Form E.P.W.I) Regional Policing service delivered within budget Operational Financial Management Framework implemented Identification of cost drivers and remedial action taken 	Regional Detective Superintendent	More effective use of resources		

Improve the data quality of information collected by An Garda Síochána in order to support it's key operations	Strengthening practices and processes around data/information collection, recording and dissemination	• 93 % of Incidents created by GISC achieved	Each Chief Superintendent	Highly motivated people
Risk Management Framework	Managing risk to reduce the impact on the organisation	 Risk Registers maintained in line with organisational policy Quarterly reviews of the Risk Register conducted 	& Regional Detective Superintendent	Better service to citizens More effective use of resources

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